

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE
805.756.1258

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, October 28, 2003
UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

- I. Minutes: The minutes of the October 7, 2003 Academic Senate meeting were approved without change.
- II. Communications and Announcements: None.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Lewis) Social Hour continues thanks to Jim Harris dedication. This month's event is sponsored by the College of Agriculture and will be held this Thursday, October 30, from 4-6 pm at Vista Grande. Please make every effort to stop by and support this continuing project to promote collegiality.
 - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) California is in an uneasy transition between Governors. Even though the state is at the start of a new budget season there is still a lot that remains to be revealed.
 - C. Provost's Office: (Zingg) The Supplemental Report Language of the 2003-2004 budget, is a document that flows from explicit legislative directions to the CSU regarding the conduct of the system and campus budgets. The document says that the highest priority is to protect, to the greatest extent possible, the CSU's primary educational mission of undergraduate and graduate instruction. Despite a \$15 million net decrease in our budget and fewer students on campus, Cal Poly is offering more instruction this Fall than last Fall. This is a reflection of a lot of hard work from the Deans, faculty, and staff, and we would like to acknowledge their hard work. Brief report on the final figures for tenure-track faculty hiring: Systemwide for 2003-2004: 1239 actual searches initiated, slightly more than the 1200 searches targeted to be initiated. Cal Poly had 52 searches targeted, actually initiated 63 and successfully completed 53 searches which is an 84% success rate compared to the systemwide success rate is 66% success rate.
 - D. Statewide Senators: None.
 - E. CFA Campus President: (Foroohar) Bargaining session scheduled for yesterday was cancelled due to the wildfires. Two weeks ago, CFA got notification of the first layoff on our campus for a FERP faculty member from the College of Agriculture. CFA intends to fight it. Elizabeth Hoffman, statewide lecturer representative, will be in attendance at a special luncheon for lecturers this Thursday. Please call the CFA office at extension 62717 to RSVP.
 - F. ASI Representatives: (Mednick) ASI and the student body feel very strong about and support sustainability initiatives for the Student Housing North project.
 - G. Other: Vicki Stover: campus smoking policy – A committee was created and started meeting in the Springs as a result of a Executive Order received in May of 2003 which delegates authority to campus presidents to regulate second hand smoking on campus grounds. Student groups surveyed faculty, staff, and students and the majority of those surveyed were split between no smoking on campus and a 25-foot barrier. The

committee is recommending designated smoking areas in the campus core that comply with the 25-foot policy. Proposed policy and map showing designated areas are handed out and all feedback is required by November 6. The committee's plan is to have signs and receptacles in place during winter quarter and a publicity campaign.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Item(s):

Resolution on LEED Certification for Student Housing North: Executive Committee, second reading. Since the Student Housing North Project, which is the largest housing project in the history of the CSU, will have a tremendous impact on our campus, the project ought to be done in a sustainable and environmentally friendly way. This resolution requests that Cal Poly obtain a LEED (a rating system) certification for the project.

Amendment to Resolution, presented by Senator Doyle. This amendment urges the Cal Poly administration to consider new alternative transportation modes in a timely manner. Eugene Jud, College of Architecture lecturer, gave a presentation in support of the amendment regarding transportation on campus and alternatives. There was some discussion regarding the amendment being brought forward as a separate resolution as well as the possibility of passing a sense of the senate.

RESOLVED: that Cal Poly go beyond minimal environmental review requirements to take a leadership role in sustainable transportation and land planning, by utilizing as many already demonstrated strategies as possible to make alternative transportation modes better able to compete with the automobile, thereby to foster shorter-distance walking, bicycling, transit, and para-transit use within the San Luis Obispo area, and to discourage car ownership, storage, and use by residents of campus housing, except for longer trips where a car is absolutely necessary.

M/S/F to adopt amendment as proposed.

M/S/P to adopt resolution on LEED Certification for Student Housing North was passed unanimous.

Senator Doyle presented the following WHEREAS to be added to the above RESOLVED clause and present it as a second reading as a new resolution titled "Resolution on Sustainable Transportation and Land Planning":

WHEREAS: The existing campus Master Plan strongly calls for more sustainable transportation systems; therefore, be it

M/S/P to approve resolution

VI. Discussion Item(s): None.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Submitted by,

Gladys Gregory,
Academic Senate